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## CENSUS OF MOTOR VEHICLES, 31st DECEMBER, 1962

The detailed results of the census are being published in mimeographed bulletins for each State and Territory and for Australia, and in issue No. 54, 1962-63 of the annual bulletin Transport and Communication. Previous enumerations of this nature were the census of motor vehicles, 31st December, 1955, and the survey of motor vehicles, 1947-48. The results were published in a series of bulletins and, in summarized term, in issues of the annual bulletin Transport and Communication No. 48, 1956-57 (1955 census) and No. 40, 1948-49 (1947-48 survey). Year Book No. 44, 1958 contains on page 415 a summary, for each State and Territory and for Australia, of the vehicles of each type recorded at the census of 31st December, 1955.

### (i) Types of Vehicles

**(a) Number**

A summary for each State and Territory of the number of motor vehicles of each type on the register at 31st December, 1962, is given in the following table. The total number of each type recorded for Australia at the previous motor vehicle census (31st December, 1955) is included for purposes of comparison.

## CENSUS OF MOTOR VEHICLES, 31st DECEMBER, 1962: TYPES OF VEHICLE

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New South Wales	742,947	85,746	137,138	49,479	84,670	2,822	5,004	20,398	1,128,204
Victoria	611,497	69,528	94,470	31,328	76,591	2,890	3,409	15,802	905,515
Queensland	258,942	31,253	92,128	13,359	40,502	450	1,836	14,680	453,150
South Australia	220,010	18,895	38,539	9,678	31,684	982	1,580	16,717	338,085
Western Australia	149,799	15,838	37,784	8,585	27,256	541	1,365	12,257	253,425
Tasmania	69,020	6,677	11,183	6,364	8,487	301	940	2,101	105,073
Northern Terr.	4,321	1,258	2,806	471	1,326	73	91	325	10,671
Aust. Cap. Terr.	15,591	2,408	1,802	808	935	34	115	296	21,989
<b>Australia, 31st Dec., 1962 No.</b>	<b>2,072,127</b>	<b>231,603</b>	<b>415,850</b>	<b>120,072</b>	<b>271,451</b>	<b>8,093</b>	<b>14,340</b>	<b>14,340</b>	<b>3,216,112</b>
<b>Per cent.</b>	<b>64.4</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>12.9</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Australia, 31st Dec., 1955 No	1,356,682	15,948	(a) (b) 53,808	250,630	5,884	10,142	127,129	2,182,193	
Per cent.	62.2	0.7	361,970 16.6	2.5	11.5	0.3	0.4	5.8	100.0

(a) Includes panel vans, Queensland.

(b) Excludes panel vans, Queensland, which are included with utilities.

## (b) Relation to Population

The table below shows the number of motor vehicles (cars, station wagons, motor cycles, other motor vehicles, and total vehicles) registered per 1,000 of population in each State and Territory and Australia at 31st December, 1962, and in Australia at 31st December, 1955.

### CENSUS OF MOTOR VEHICLES, 31st DECEMBER, 1962: TYPES OF VEHICLE PER 1,000 OF POPULATION

	Motor cars	Station wagons	Other motor vehicles	Total motor vehicles (excl. motor cycles)	Motor cycles	Total motor vehicles
<b>State or Territory</b>						
New South Wales	185	21	70	276	5	281
Victoria	203	23	70	296	5	301
Queensland	167	20	96	283	9	292
South Australia	220	19	82	321	17	338
Western Australia	195	21	99	315	16	331
Tasmania	186	18	74	278	6	284
Northern Territory	164	48	182	394	12	406
Aust. Cap. Terr.	227	35	54	316	4	320
<b>Australia, 31st December 1962</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>298</b>
Australia, 31st December 1955	146	2	73	221	13	234

## (ii) Year of Model

### (a) Motor Cars

In the following table, motor cars on the register in each State and Territory are shown classified by year of model.

### CENSUS OF MOTOR VEHICLES, 31st DECEMBER, 1962: MOTOR CARS BY YEAR OF MODEL

Year of model
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State or Territory	Before 1951	1951 to 1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	Total
N.S.W.	113,462	198,297	49,025	51,496	58,676	60,405	73,329	58,519	79,738	742,947
Victoria	101,085	174,785	43,189	42,488	44,708	49,597	59,330	40,864	55,451	611,497
Queensland	42,434	78,691	18,175	19,158	19,265	18,873	22,632	15,025	24,689	258,942
S. Australia	39,021	70,498	15,510	15,659	15,202	14,488	18,377	12,298	18,957	220,010
W. Australia	23,615	45,707	8,912	9,866	10,121	10,247	13,471	11,199	16,661	149,799
Tasmania	10,446	21,331	5,266	4,951	4,955	4,855	6,008	4,549	6,659	69,020
Northern Terr.	340	1,087	359	362	369	413	572	393	426	4,321
Aust. Cap. Terr.	865	3,558	1,179	1,137	1,513	1,577	1,837	1,763	2,162	15,591
<b>Australia No.</b>	<b>331,268</b>	<b>593,954</b>	<b>141,615</b>	<b>145,117</b>	<b>145,117</b>	<b>160,455</b>	<b>195,556</b>	<b>144,610</b>	<b>204,743</b>	<b>2,072,127</b>
<b>Per cent.</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>28.7</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>9.4</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## (b) Station Wagons

Station wagons on the register in each State and Territory at 31st December, 1962, are shown in the following table in the same groups as those used for motor cars in the previous table.

### CENSUS OF MOTOR VEHICLES, 31st DECEMBER, 1962: STATION WAGONS BY YEAR OF MODEL

State or Territory	Before 1951	1951 to 1955	Year of model							Total
			1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	
N.S.W.	838	3,832	1,224	2,486	8,040	12,966	18,108	16,413	21,839	85,746
Victoria	965	3,284	1,059	2,105	6,422	10,410	14,770	12,932	17,581	69,528
Queensland	307	1,403	342	809	2,915	4,480	6,239	5,353	9,405	31,253
S. Australia	292	860	216	533	1,687	3,126	4,060	3,194	4,927	18,895
W. Australia	286	944	201	439	1,172	2,186	2,753	3,039	4,818	15,838
Tasmania	56	341	99	177	628	956	1,330	1,208	1,882	6,677
Northern Terr.	6	40	17	49	148	221	267	252	258	1,258
Aust. Cap. Terr.	12	70	48	55	244	404	461	544	570	2,408
<b>Australia No.</b>	<b>2,762</b>	<b>10,774</b>	<b>3,206</b>	<b>6,653</b>	<b>21,256</b>	<b>34,749</b>	<b>47,988</b>	<b>42,935</b>	<b>61,280</b>	<b>231,603</b>
<b>Per cent.</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>20.7</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>26.5</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## (c) Utilities

Utilities on the register in each State and Territory at 31st December, 1962, are shown below in the same groups as for previous tables.

### CENSUS OF MOTOR VEHICLES, 31st DECEMBER, 1962: UTILITIES, BY YEAR OF MODEL

State or Territory	Before 1951	1951 to 1955	Year of model							Total
			1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	
N.S.W.	18,200	48,061	10,228	10,796	10,953	11,318	9,957	8,446	9,179	137,138
Victoria	14,428	33,284	7,509	7,457	7,364	7,225	6,623	5,130	5,450	94,470
Queensland	16,842	32,827	6,659	6,439	7,149	6,947	6,180	3,985	5,100	92,128
S. Australia	5,973	14,601	2,938	2,813	2,781	2,738	2,324	2,032	2,339	38,539
W. Australia	5,030	12,478	2,525	2,423	2,888	3,138	3,211	2,907	3,184	37,784
Tasmania	1,719	3,930	791	811	816	849	779	662	826	11,183

Northern Terr.	278	645	236	217	269	248	345	281	287	2,806
Aust. Cap. Terr.	92	480	136	133	192	218	193	172	186	1,802
<b>Australia No.</b>	<b>62,562</b>	<b>146,306</b>	<b>31,022</b>	<b>31,089</b>	<b>32,412</b>	<b>32,681</b>	<b>29,612</b>	<b>23,615</b>	<b>23,615</b>	<b>415,850</b>
<b>Per cent.</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>35.1</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>100.0</b>

#### (d) Panel Vans

The following table shows the number of panel vans on the register in the various States and Territories at 31st December, 1962, grouped as for previous tables.

#### CENSUS OF MOTOR VEHICLES, 31st DECEMBER, 1962: PANEL VANS BY YEAR OF MODEL

State or Territory	Year of model									Total
	Before 1951	1951 to 1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	
N.S.W.	3,583	9,085	3,908	3,998	5,747	8,023	6,176	4,439	4,520	49,479
Victoria	2,992	7,601	2,946	2,402	3,380	4,650	2,900	2,098	2,359	31,328
Queensland	618	2,117	1,190	1,179	1,571	2,633	1,655	1,069	1,327	13,359
S. Australia	911	2,460	952	907	1,018	965	900	749	816	9,678
W. Australia	771	1,993	619	691	786	995	1,007	823	900	8,585
Tasmania	534	1,766	544	542	618	663	722	491	484	6,364
Northern Terr.	15	56	51	54	63	49	76	63	44	471
Aust. Cap. Terr.	10	90	52	62	88	108	148	111	139	808
<b>Australia No.</b>	<b>9,434</b>	<b>25,168</b>	<b>10,262</b>	<b>9,835</b>	<b>13,271</b>	<b>18,086</b>	<b>13,584</b>	<b>9,843</b>	<b>10,589</b>	<b>120,072</b>
<b>Percent</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>21.0</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>15.1</b>	<b>11.3</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>

#### (e) Trucks

The number of trucks on the register in each State and Territory at 31st December 1962, is shown below, grouped as for previous tables.

#### CENSUS OF MOTOR VEHICLES, 31st DECEMBER, 1962: TRUCKS BY YEAR OF MODEL

State or Territory	Year of model									Total
	Before 1951	1951 to 1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	
N.S.W.	25,679	23,727	4,964	4,447	4,461	5,122	6,910	4,509	4,851	84,670
Victoria	22,838	19,772	4,362	4,050	4,817	5,071	6,279	4,580	4,822	76,591
Queensland	14,464	10,310	2,367	2,002	2,253	2,257	2,627	1,740	2,482	40,502
S. Australia	10,717	9,839	1,746	1,563	1,445	1,607	1,773	1,514	1,480	31,684
W. Australia	8,152	9,016	1,375	1,031	1,305	1,369	1,788	1,545	1,675	27,256
Tasmania	2,320	2,493	549	498	514	540	600	440	533	8,487
Northern Terr.	254	240	132	110	96	97	115	170	112	1,326
Aust. Cap. Terr.	117	197	43	63	75	93	128	105	114	935
<b>Australia No.</b>	<b>84,541</b>	<b>75,594</b>	<b>15,538</b>	<b>13,764</b>	<b>14,966</b>	<b>16,156</b>	<b>20,220</b>	<b>14,603</b>	<b>16,069</b>	<b>271,451</b>
<b>Percent</b>	<b>31.2</b>	<b>27.9</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## (f) Other Truck-type Vehicles

The following table shows the number of other truck-type vehicles on the register in each State and Territory at 31st December, 1962, grouped as for previous tables.

### CENSUS OF MOTOR VEHICLES, 31st DECEMBER, 1962: OTHER TRUCK-TYPE (a) BY YEAR OF MODEL

State or Territory	Year of model									Total
	Before 1951	1951 to 1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	
N.S.W.	1,224	497	140	97	138	132	260	187	147	2,822
Victoria	1,442	510	131	69	123	137	185	159	134	2,890
Queensland	216	73	19	15	22	16	35	28	26	450
S. Australia	267	193	69	50	93	98	49	85	78	982
W. Australia	283	87	23	14	23	29	34	22	26	541
Tasmania	127	73	14	11	22	13	17	15	9	301
Northern Terr.	25	17	5	4	1	5	6	10	..	73
Aust. Cap. Terr.	9	11	1	2	2	3	2	1	3	34
<b>Australia No.</b>	<b>3,593</b>	<b>1,461</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>8,093</b>
<b>Percent</b>	<b>44.4</b>	<b>18.1</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Includes vehicles such as tankers, concrete agitators, two trucks, mobile winches or cranes, fire engines.

## (g) Omnibus

The number of omnibuses on the register in each State and Territory at 31st December, 1962, is shown in the following table, grouped as for previous tables.

### CENSUS OF MOTOR VEHICLES, 31st DECEMBER, 1962: OMNIBUSES, BY YEAR OF MODEL

State or Territory	Year of model									Total
	Before 1951	1951 to 1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	
N.S.W.	1,741	755	161	243	356	467	587	376	318	5,004
Victoria	1,124	748	224	176	222	177	264	196	278	3,409
Queensland	653	264	96	126	132	134	138	132	161	1,836
S. Australia	345	330	126	188	150	119	107	105	110	1,580
W. Australia	480	404	59	54	82	61	72	66	87	1,365
Tasmania	294	235	39	67	55	40	119	50	41	940
Northern Terr.	11	14	5	4	5	12	12	14	14	91
Aust. Cap. Terr.	14	6	9	10	5	12	21	22	16	115
<b>Australia No.</b>	<b>4,662</b>	<b>2,756</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>868</b>	<b>1,007</b>	<b>1,022</b>	<b>1,320</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>1,025</b>	<b>14,340</b>
<b>Percent</b>	<b>32.5</b>	<b>19.2</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## (h) Motor Cycles

The following table shows the number of motor cycles on the register at 31st December, 1962, in each State and Territory for which the data were recorded, grouped as for previous tables.

### CENSUS OF MOTOR VEHICLES, 31st DECEMBER, 1962: MOTOR CYCLES BY YEAR OF MODEL

State or Territory	Year of model									Total
	Before 1951	1951 to 1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	
N.S.W.	2,314	5,484	1,629	1,918	1,995	2,280	1,933	1,528	1,317	20,398
Victoria (a)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15,802
Queensland	1,906	3,840	1,127	1,335	1,697	1,333	1,325	1,065	1,052	14,680
S. Australia (a)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16,717
W. Australia	1,163	2,836	659	977	1,615	1,851	1,454	862	840	12,257
Tasmania	349	724	243	138	310	184	59	65	29	2,101
Northern Terr.	24	65	26	19	42	36	39	19	55	325
Aust. Cap. Terr.	6	59	21	24	31	48	48	35	24	296

(a) Year of model not recorded.

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